Early Rain Covenant Church Update

After nearly eight months in prison, an elder from the Early Rain Covenant Church has been released by the Chinese government. Reunited with his wife and children, he is out on bail and must report regularly to



the local police. The church's pastor, Wang Yi, and others from the church remain in prison at an undisclosed location since their arrest last December. Continue praying for all of those imprisoned and their families. Before his arrest in December, Pastor Yi was critical of the Chinese government's crackdown on Christians and encouraged civil disobedience. He said "the goal of disobedience is not to change the world, but to testify of another world." In our prayers for them, let us also ask God to give us that same strength and conviction to share our faith in our own corner of the world.





Grace Alive! Sundays WEEK-TV 25 – 9 AM WBNH-FM 88.5 – 9 AM

Live Stream Sundays

media.gracepres.org – 11 AM



Unlimited Grace Radio

You can listen to all of Pastor Bryan's "Unlimited Grace" radio programs at www.unlimitedgrace.com or by subscribing to the podcast.





CHURCH LIFE

Welcome Home to the Kramers!

We are excited to have the Kramers, full-time touring musicians and former worship leaders here at Grace, joining us in leading worship this morning!



Church Picnic - ONE Sweet Bite at a Time! Sunday, September 8, 12:00-3:00pm

The church picnic is next week! Consider volunteering to bring cookies, bars, or brownies for everyONE to enjoy. Today is the last day to sign up to bring desserts, so



be sure and stop by the picnic table in the atrium and sign up.

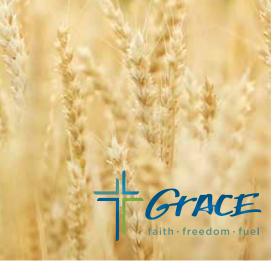
Today is also the last day to sign up for the bags tournament! Who will beat Pastor Kerry's team this year? It could be you! Sign up in the atrium at the picnic table.

For more information about bringing desserts and the bags tournament, you can contact Jonathan Welch at jwelch@gracepres.org.

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Sunday Services 8:30 & 11 a.m. Sunday School for all ages 9:45 a.m. 8607 STATE ROUTE 91 | PEORIA IL 61615 | WWW.GRACEPRES.ORG





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PRAISE AND CONFESSION ASSURANCE OF GRACE WELCOME PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVING

GRACE FROM GOD'S WORD "Anticipation" Malachi 3:1-5

p. 802 in the Grace Bible Dr. Bryan Chapell

BLESSING FOR GOD'S MISSION

SERMON NOTES -

Today's sermon outline has been translated into multiple languages and is available at the Welcome Center.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Taste of Grace

If you are new to Grace, we invite you to join us for a meal right after both services in the Lounge. We'd like the chance to meet you and help answer any questions you may have about Grace.

Children's Membership Class

Sunday, September 15, 22, and 29, 4:00-5:30pm

Participants in this class will learn the gospel of salvation using a six-part outline from "Kids' Evangelism Explosion," write and deliver a personal testimony of salvation, understand the meaning of the Lord's Supper, understand the privileges and responsibilities of church membership, and join the church. This class is designed for 3rd-6th graders, but younger or older may participate as well. We'll meet in the Front Porch Room. Register at *www.gracepres.org/membership*. Contact Pastor Greg at ggrindinger@gracepres.org if you have questions.

MidWeek Grace Kidz

Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00pm

We are excited for another great year of Kidz Klub, Pioneer Girls, and Boy's Brigade! Your child will have fun learning about our awesome God. ALL children must be registered. Go to *www.gracepres.org/kidzwednesdays* for more information and to register your child.

Raising Your Child in a Gender-Confused Culture

Several copies of this book that Pastor Bryan mentioned several weeks ago are now available in our church library.

Employment Opportunity - Administrative Assistant

We currently have a position open for a part-time administrative assistant in the church office, Monday through Friday. Potential candidates possess high-level computer skills, attention to detail, are highly organized and able to multi-task, and demonstrate a servant attitude. For more information, or to submit a resume, visit the church's website at *www.gracepres.org/jobs.* (Please do not call the church office.)



GriefShare Mondays, 2:00-4:00pm

We are starting a new series of GriefShare on September 9th. It's a 13-week video series and sharing time for those who have lost a loved one. For questions or to register, call Geri Ringelspaugh at 309.251.2434. We'll meet in the lounge.

Women's Ministry is Hiring Childcare Workers Fridays, 8:30-11:15am

Do you have a heart to serve with children? The Women's Ministry team would love your help in caring for our children during MOPS meetings on Friday mornings this fall! We are seeking workers of ALL ages. Both paid and volunteer positions are available. For more information on serving, please contact Kristine Byrne, kbyrne@gracepres.org.

Tuesday Bible Studies (TBS)

Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30am

All women are invited to attend one of the Tuesday Bible Studies classes beginning September 10th. For more detailed information on what's being offered and to register, visit *www.gracepres.org/tbs*. For more information, contact Sarah Alkire at salkire@gracepres.org.

Looking for a Place to Serve This Fall?

Would you consider being a bus driver for the Adult Special Needs Ministry on Sundays, or serving with our weekly Safety Team, or becoming a part of the Monday Men's Fellowship? Contact Randy Whitman at rwhitman@gracepres.org for more information.

